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OF THE BOARD OF

Supervisors.

Office of the Board of Supervisors, Kingman, Mohave County, Arizona Territory, Dec. 18th, A. D., 1899.

The Hon. Board of Supervisors of Mohave county, Arizona, met in their office at the court house at Kingman on Dec. 18th, A. D. 1899, in pursuance to paragraph 2681, sec. 55, and paragraph 2734, sec. 108 Revised Statutes of Arizona Territory, the full Board present.

Upon the minutes of the previous meeting being read, the same was approved, the full board voting aye.

Tax collector Cornwall appeared before the board with the original and duplicate assessment roll book and stated that he had some communications from taxpayers to lay before the board before submitting said Roll Book for final closing and settlement.

The tax collector then reads the communications as received by him. Motion made, the full board voting aye, that the communications lay over until the following day, Dec. 19th, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m. for final disposition.

Hon. J. M. Murphy appeared before the board in behalf of Charles E. Sherman, stating that the Distaff mining claim at Chloride, the property of Mr. Sherman, had been entered on the assessment roll books of former years as a patented mining claim when there never was a patent issued for it. That the said Distaff mining claim had been sold for taxes by the county to the territory and petitioned the Honorable Board to make an order to have said tax deed canceled, also all entries upon records in the county records pertaining to the assessing and issuing of delinquent certificates and tax deeds against said Distaff mining claim. Motion made and carried that the clerk be instructed and ordered to notify the county recorder and the tax collector to make such cancellations upon all the records in their respective keeping, in the matter, as to said Distaff mining claim as prayed for by Mr. Sherman, the full board voting aye.

Motion made and carried to adjourn till the following day, Dec. 19th, A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m., the full board voting aye.

Ed Imus,
Chairman.

JNO. P. FEENY,
Clerk.

Office of the Board of Supervisors, Kingman, Dec. 19th, A. D. 1899.

The Hon. Board of Supervisors met in their office at 10 o'clock a. m., as agreed when adjourning on the previous day. The full board present.

The Hon. Board proceeded to act under the head of tax communications. The first in order was from W. E. Frost who was reduced 800 goats, and his assessment allowed to stand at 800 goats at two dollars per head.

George Miller of Hackberry, was allowed a reduction in taxes, by error on the roll from 168.35 dollars to that of ninety four dollars and thirty five cents.

The Commercial Mining Company was reduced in the sum of one hundred and seventy five dollars from their original assessment, claiming they had not been notified of said raise.

Mrs. Mary Sweeney appeared before the board and asked for a reduction on her assessment. The assessment roll being referred to it was shown to the petitioner that the raising and adding to her original assessment by the Board of Equalization was a matter of some of her property that had escaped taxation in former years, together with increased valuation of hotel building, etc. The board therefore denied her petition.

The Hon. Board adjourned for the noon recess, to meet again at 2 o'clock p. m.

Office of the Board of Supervisors, Kingman, Dec. 19th, 2 o'clock p. m. The Hon. Board of Supervisors met in their office at two o'clock p. m. as

agreed when adjourning at the noon recess, the full board present.

Tax Collector Cornwall appeared before the Hon. Board with a written communication from Mr. A. P. Maginnes, claim and tax agent for the Santa Fe Pacific railroad company. The Clerk reads the communication to the Hon. Board. Motion made by Supervisor Scanlon, seconded by Supervisor Kolar, that the clerk place the communication of Mr. Maginnes on the minutes of the board for future reference. Motion carried, full board voting aye.

Communication of A. P. Maginnes.

SANTA FE ROUTE.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA R. R. CO.
SANTA FE PACIFIC R. R. CO.

A. P. MAGINNES,
CLAIM AND TAX AGENT,
LAND DEPARTMENT,
222 BRADLEY BUILDING.

LOS ANGELES, DECEMBER 17, 1899.

MR. A. CORNWALL,
TAX COLLECTOR, MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA,
KINGMAN, ARIZONA.

Dear Sir:—The Santa Fe Pacific railroad company hereby tenders to Mohave county the sum of 7,963.118 to be applied as payment in full of taxes claimed to be due from said company to Mohave county on its railroad and appurtenant property including rolling stock, rails, road bed, buildings, pipe lines, telegraph lines, etc. This tax is based on a total assessment which is equivalent to a valuation of 2,500,008 per mile. The amount of main mile age and the tax is figured at 1898 rate.

This is in accordance with the basis on which we pay taxes in Yavapai, Coconino, Navajo and Apache counties, and in accordance with the proposed tax compromise agreement that we submitted to your board of county supervisors last July, not accepted by them. Nevertheless we are willing to make payment on the basis outlined by such compromise agreement and hereby tender you the sum of 7,963.118.

We also tender you the sum of 184,908 to pay the taxes on 24,987.49 acres of land, total valuation of said land being 4,997,508. Our company refuses to pay taxes on sections 1, 3, 5, 11, 13, 23, 25 and 35 in township 23, N. R. 18 W. and on all of odd numbered sections in township 22, N. R. 17 W., for the reason that we consider the amount of money necessary to meet the taxes of greater value than the land itself, and are therefore willing that the sections named should be taken by the territory for taxes.

Respectfully,

SANTA FE PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY,
By A. P. MAGINNES,
Claim and Tax Agent.

The Hon. Board debates upon the communication from A. P. Maginnes. The duplicate assessment roll is referred to. Upon examination it is found that the following amount of tax money is due Mohave county from the Santa Fe Pacific railroad company to-wit:

Amount of back taxes due on all of its property \$15,298.14
Amount of taxes due county for 1899, at 2,500,008 per mile etc 11,745,66.4

Grand total \$27,043,80.4

The following figures being shown to the Hon. Board, they resolved that they could not accept Mr. Maginnes' proposition for the railway company taxes to-wit: The railway company to pay at a levy of \$2.95-100, while the county resident taxpayers should pay at the levy of \$3.70 per one hundred dollars valuation.

Motion made by Supervisor Kolar, seconded by Supervisor Scanlon, that the Treasurer be ordered not to accept the tender of the railway company as proffered him in the communication for the payment of the company's taxes. Motion carried, the full board voting aye.

Motion made by Supervisor Scanlon, seconded by Supervisor Kolar, that the treasurer or tax collector be allowed to accept the tender of Mr. Maginnes for the Santa Fe Pacific railway, by issuing two receipts to the company, viz: One receipt for its rolling stock, personal property and surveyed land, for the sum of (3,606,428), three thousand, six hundred and six

dollars and forty two cents. And the other receipt to read, Applied as partial payment on right away and road bed (\$4,571.59), making the tender of the railroad company's (\$8,178.01), eight thousand one hundred and seventy eight dollars and one cent as per Mr. Maginnes' communication to the county tax collector acceptable to this board. Motion put and carried, the full board voting aye.

Motion made that the clerk be instructed to telegraph Mr. Maginnes of the board's action. Carried, full board voting aye.

The Hon. Board instructs and orders the treasurer to pay the interest on the territorial funded debt, now due, out of any available funds now in the county treasury. By full consent of the board.

Motion made and carried to adjourn to the following day, Dec. 20th, A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m., full board voting aye.

Office of the Board of Supervisors, Kingman, Dec. 20th, 10 o'clock a. m., '99.

The Hon. Board of Supervisors met in their office at 10 o'clock a. m., as agreed when adjourning on previous day. Full board present.

The clerk reports as not having received any reply from the telegram sent Mr. Maginnes on previous day.

Ex-officio Poll Tax Collector Harvey Hubbs appeared before the Hon. Board to render his account with the Hon. Board for poll tax collected during the year. The books and receipts sold and unsold by the collector is as per following summary.

Issued to collector, on Jan. 16th, 1899, by Clerk of the Board, 1,001 receipts at \$2.50 each.

Total valuation of receipts \$2,502.50. Issued by Clerk of the Board.

Number of receipts sold by collector 515. Valuation, \$1,287.50.

Number of receipts unsold by collector 486. Valuation \$1,215.00.

Number of stubs and receipts returned, 1,001. Valuation \$2,502.50.

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount of money received for poll tax \$1,287.50.

Total amount of percentage allowed collector on collection, \$128.75.

Total amount of money placed to credit of school fund, \$1,158.75.

The account of the poll tax collector being found true and correct, the clerk was instructed to file the books and receipts in the vault, and the poll tax collector dismissed from further duty for the year.

The Hon. Board adjourns for the noon recess to meet again at 2 o'clock p. m.

Office of the Board of Supervisors, Kingman, Dec. 20th, 2 o'clock p. m.

The Hon. Board meets at 2 o'clock p. m. as agreed when adjourning at the noon recess. The full board present.

Ex-Officio License Collector Harvey Hubbs, appeared before the Hon. Board and submitted his license report for the auditing and acceptance by the Hon. Board.

The Hon. Board proceeds to count the tax books and receipts, and after examination were found to be true and correct. It was found that the treasurer issued license receipts to the collector to the amount of \$26,501.00.

That the collector returned unsold receipts to the amount of \$21,124.00.

That the collector sold receipts to the amount of \$5,377.00.

Total amount as issued by treasurer to collector, \$26,501.00.

Motion made and carried, the full board voting aye, that the report of the license collector be accepted, and the clerk file the report in the vault.

The following bills for salaries of county officers were then allowed, and warrants drawn on the salary fund for same.

BILLS.

John S. Kolar, salary and mileage as supervisor \$ 15 40
Ed Imus, salary and mileage as supervisor 47 00
M. Scanlon, salary and mileage as supervisor 35 00
Jno. P. Feeny, county recorder 200 00
F. A. Pomeroy, deputy county recorder 150 00

There being no reply from Mr. Maginnes, the Hon. Board adjourned to meet again on Dec. 27th, A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m., the full board voting aye.

Chairman.

[SEAL]

Attest
JNO. P. FEENY,
Clerk.

General Mining News

Great activity is reported in the placer gold section of New Mexico, where the Edison syndicate is about to commence operations for separating gold from sand by a new process. A New Mexican correspondent of a Wisconsin paper states that during the past three months over 12,000,000 has changed hands there in the purchase of mining properties and in contracts for electric plants and mills for crushing and treating ores. Most of the interested parties are from New York, Boston and Denver. The placer fields are near Golden, and the name of the camp is Bland. It is said that United States experts have estimated the amount of gold in these fields at the immense value of 800,000,000.

An Unnecessary Panic.

Early in the present year, when the increased and increasing demand for iron and steel in this country, and the enhanced iron and steel prices of the first two months had given abundant assurance that the whole year would be one of great prosperity for our iron and steel manufacturers, a cry at once went up in certain quarters that our capacity for the production of iron ore, coal, coke and pig iron would not be equal to the demand. This apprehension was calculated to produce, and did aid greatly in producing a panicky feeling among the consumers of many iron and steel products, particularly pig iron, steel billets and structural steel, who made haste to place orders for future delivery which would otherwise have been withheld until near the time when the material ordered would be needed. Of course speculators helped along the panic. Subsequent events have established the fact that this panic was wholly unnecessary. Activity in the iron trade, accompanied by remunerative prices, were certain to have any way, and the producers did not, therefore, want a panic among consumers, while consumers would have fared far better if they had not been frightened into the hasty placing of orders. From February to October this panicky condition continued, but in October it virtually ended. Prices are no longer advancing by leaps and bounds, and some prices are actually receding; there is little if any scarcity of any iron and steel products; nobody now thinks that our iron and steel capacity in any direction will be unequal to a legitimate demand.

We early contended that there would be no scarcity of iron ore, coal, coke and pig iron to meet this year's extraordinary demand for iron and steel. Notwithstanding all the excitement above alluded to, our hopeful view of the situation affecting these raw materials have been sustained by the facts. There has been a scarcity of cars to move raw materials with the promptness that was desired, but the furnaces and rolling mills and steel works that have had their operations curtailed by an inability to procure raw materials, even through a scarcity of cars, are very few in number, and this inconvenience, as we have indicated, was the result of unnecessary panic. We have produced this year all the iron ore, coal, coke and pig iron that was needed for present consumption, and the output of each has been of extraordinary magnitude. As the demand increased we have added coke ovens to coke ovens and cargo of iron ore, while furnaces that had long been idle needed only the stimulus of an abnormal demand for pig iron to make them again active. In some finished iron and steel products there has been at times a scarcity, not because of an actual lack of producing capacity, but because consumers all wanted to be served at once. Now they are less persistent.—Bulletin.

W. B. Clark and Joe Mayer have bonded the Little Kicker mine, Bigbug district, to New York parties for 10,000. The Little Kicker is an extension of the celebrated McCabe mine, and is spoken of as an exceedingly fine property. At a depth of thirty feet a body of ore five feet in width is exposed. The new men at the helm have already put a force of men at work upon the property.—Courier.

WANTED—SEVERAL BRIGHT AND HONEST persons to represent us as Managers in this and close by counties. Salary \$800 a year and expenses. Straight, bona fide, no more, no less salary. Position permanent. Our references, any bank in any town. It is mainly office work conducted at home. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. THE DOMINION COMPANY, Dept. 3, Chicago.

Certificate of Incorporation.

Articles of Incorporation of the Mohave County Board of Trade.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, the undersigned, have this day voluntarily associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation, under the laws of the Territory of Arizona.

And we hereby certify: First: That the name of the said Corporation is the "Mohave County Board of Trade." That the place where its principal business shall be transacted is the town of Kingman, Arizona. That the names of the incorporators are as follows: C. E. Bowers, Jas. Ewing, W. H. Taggart, Jas. Twigg, H. H. Watkins, William Grant, J. P. Finegan.

Second. That the purpose for which it is formed are to advertise the resources and improvements of Mohave county, and for the protection of the merchants and its members.

Third. That the term for which it is to exist is for Twenty Five (25) years from and after the date of this incorporation.

Fourth. That the officers who shall conduct the affairs of this corporation are as follows: C. E. Bowers, president; H. H. Watkins, vice-president; W. H. Taggart, Treasurer; Fred W. Morrison, Secretary; Bell and Morrison, Attorneys. That the officers of this corporation shall be elected for six months from the date of this instrument and every six months thereafter.

Fifth. That the highest amount of indebtedness of this corporation shall be Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars.

Sixth. That private property is not exempt from corporate debts.

Seventh. That an election of Directors was held on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1899, at Kingman, Arizona, and the following directors were elected: W. H. Taggart, C. E. Bowers, H. H. Watkins, Jas. Ewing, Jas. Twigg, all of Kingman, Arizona, and J. P. Finegan, of Chloride, and William Grant of Hackberry, Arizona.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1899.

C. E. BOWERS,
JAS. EWING,
H. H. WATKINS,
JAMES TWIGGS,
W. H. TAGGART,
WILLIAM GRANT,
J. P. FINEGAN.

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA, } SS.

County of Mohave, }
On this, the 6th day of December, A. D. 1899, before me, Fleetwood Bell, a Notary Public in and for said county, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared W. H. Taggart, C. E. Bowers, H. H. Watkins, Jas. Ewing, Jas. Twigg, J. P. Finegan and William Grant, personally known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and they duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

FLEETWOOD BELL,
Notary Public.

My Commission expires August 16, A. D. 1903.

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA, } SS.

County of Mohave, }
I, County Recorder in and for the County and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that the within instrument was filed for record at 10:15 o'clock a. m., on this 22 day of December, A. D. 1899, and duly recorded in book 1, of Corporation records of Mohave county, Arizona, at pages 170 et seq.

Witness my hand and official seal [SEAL] the day and year above written.

JNO. P. FEENY,
County Recorder.

By F. A. POMEROY, Deputy.

RECORDER'S OFFICE, }
Kingman, Mohave Co. Arizona. }

Filed and recorded at the request of J. H. Smith at 10:15 o'clock, a. m., Dec. 22, A. D. 1899, in book 1 of Corporations at page 170 et seq.

JNO. P. FEENY,
County Recorder.
By F. A. POMEROY, Deputy.